



SCHOOL BOARD MEETING REPORT

Board Meeting Date: 14-Nov-12

Agenda #

Staff/Administrator: Debbie Breckner

Superintendent: Dan Huber-Kantola

Type of Item: Informational Action

Please state your proposal briefly and clearly. What do you want the board to know, discuss, or decide?

Attached is a revised/modified version of the 2012 - 2013 school year calendar. I am asking you to approve it as part of our agreement with Licensed staff.

Provide history/background information on your proposal.

As you know, the District is facing an extraordinary challenge with the lack of adequate state funding. We have asked all employees to again take significant cuts for the 3rd year in a row. In modifying the calendar for the school year, we meet staff needs and adjust days for students at different times of the year at the bargaining unit's request.

List the advantages of your proposal:

Reduces the holiday rush/pressure felt by licensed staff; may provide more travel flexibility for families over the holiday season. While the prior calendar was a "legal" school year as determined by the formula used by ODE, it represented two staff development days and a parent conference day in which students were not in class in front of their teachers. This calendar replaces those days with additional student contact time at the high school level, thereby increasing the time students spend with teachers by three days.

List possible alternatives that could also offer a solution to your proposal. Why were they not recommended?

Leave the calendar as previously adopted. This was not selected because of the desire for teachers to spend more face time with students if at all possible.

Superintendent's recommendation(s):

Approve: Yes No